

LEVEL I ELEMENTARY ARTS ENDORSEMENT

APPLICATION

A Level I Arts Endorsement is for elementary educators who desire to develop expertise in teaching what is required in the Dance, Drama, Music or Visual Art Core Curriculum for K-6 students

Name: _____ E-Mail: _____ District _____
School _____ Phones: (w) _____ (h) _____ (c) _____
Area/grade you are teaching _____ Major: _____ Minor: _____
Desired Endorsement Area
Dance: _____ Drama: _____ Music: _____ Visual Arts: _____

Please include with your application:

- ☐ 1. License. Copy of your current Utah teaching license.
- ☐ 2. Write a one-page essay of your commitment to education in the arts for students and why you desire to seek this endorsement.
- ☐ 3. Reference letters. Obtain verification from colleagues, principal, and parents that you demonstrate a happy, motivating, nurturing rapport with elementary children and the ability to develop in them a love for the selected artform.
- ☐ 4. Track Record. Provide a calendar list of those professional development workshops or courses in dance/drama/music/art in which you have participated, and/or letters from colleagues, principal, and parents verifying that you have taught the arts and used them as learning strategies in your classroom over the recent years.
- ☐ 5. Skills and Knowledge in the Artform. Demonstrate your knowledge and competence in your selected art form to a Level IV specialist in your feeder system. Have them personally evaluate you on the appropriate art form prerequisite skills. Print **prerequisites verification form**. Have it signed and attach it to this application.
- ☐ 6. Approval Signatures
I am in support of the applicant's efforts to pursue the Level I Endorsement in _____ (state artform).

School

Signature of Principal

I am in support of the applicant's efforts to pursue the Level I Endorsement in _____ (state artform).

District

Signature of District Arts Coordinator

7. I verify that I understand the K-6 core curriculum and I am able to perform all of the skills in the K-6 core curriculum in my chosen art form. I Commit to the goals of this program, which are to build my skills to include:
1. Demonstrate a happy, motivating, nurturing rapport with elementary children and the ability to develop in them a love for the selected artform.
 2. Demonstrate intimate knowledge and understanding of *Life Skills and the mandated K-6 Core in the selected artform.
 3. Demonstrate a beginning knowledge and understanding of the elements and concepts intrinsic to artform.
 4. Demonstrate appropriate methods when teaching the artform, including creating of original student work and development of *Life Skills.
 5. Weave student self-assessment effectively into instruction.
 6. Demonstrate competency in producing a classroom visual art and/or performance event.
 7. Demonstrate effective methods when integrating the core knowledge and skills of the art form with other subject areas. (flexible to situation)
 8. Demonstrate knowledge/skill/use of quality sources, resources, and equipment in preparing and teaching the artform.
 9. Demonstrate commitment to and growth in the practice of reflective teaching.
 10. Perceive, analyze, and communicate the skills and techniques of Master teacher observed in Infinity events, PD conf., videos, etc.

Applicant's Signature _____

Submit this Application (which includes this page and the materials listed in 1-6 above) to your District Arts Coordinator or Carol Ann Goodson at: Utah State Office of Education, P.O. Box 144200, Salt Lake City, UT, 84114-4200.